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This application is abandoned in view of:						
 Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on <u>13 February 2006</u>. A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on 						
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2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).						
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